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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Docket No. **460.1860USQ**  
Anticipated Classification of this Application  
Class: Subclass:  
Prior Application: **09/421,799** filed **October 20, 1999**  
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a XX continuation-in-part \_\_\_\_\_ continuation divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application, Serial No. **09/421,799** filed on **October 20, 1999** of **Richard D. La Torre, Joseph P. Sejnowski, Aidan J. Petrie, and Richard S. Chomik** for **LIP-OPENABLE SPILL-PROOF CONTAINER.**

The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED, LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED BY AMENDMENT BELOW				
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2. XX The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Cancel in this application original claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
4. XX A copy of the specification with claims and drawings, are enclosed.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: ---  
This is a \_\_\_\_\_ continuation, \_\_\_\_\_ division, of application serial no. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_

6. XX The prior application is assigned of record to:  
**Playtex Products, Inc.**
7. XX The power of attorney in the prior application is to:  
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8. \_\_\_\_ A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.)
9. XX Priority of application Serial No. **09/421,799** filed on **October 20, 1999** is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120;
10. XX Applicants claim the benefit of application numbers **60/104,897** filed on **October 20, 1998** and Serial No. **60/148,095** filed on **August 10, 1999**.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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